Mr. Joseph Pettah *(Adur):* What would be the average per patient taking into consideration the establishment charges also?

Rao Sahib Dr. T. Verghese *(Chief Medical Officer):* It will be more. On account of the increased expenditure on dietary charges we have increased the allotment.

Mr. Joseph Pettah *(Adur):* It will come to 180 per patient.

Rao Sahib Dr. T. Verghese *(Chief Medical Officer):* This year we have to pay a little more for dietary charges.

Mr. Ephraim Ouseph *(Narakkal):* Are not venerial diseased more infectious than leprosy.

Mr. President: That question does not arise.

ARTICLE IN THE "GOMATHI"—"TRAVANCORE POLICEMAN UNDER ARREST"

133. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether Government has noted the article in the "Gomathi", page 2 of the issue, dated 6th July 1943 under the caption "തിരുവിതാംകൂർ പോലീസുകാരൻ അറസ്റ്റിൽ" (Travancore policeman under arrest)

(b) if so, will Government be pleased to inform the stage at which the case stands if a case has been registered already?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):*

(a) Yes.

(b) A case has been registered already. It is under investigation.

PLACING OF THE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):* Sir, Under Rule 58 of the Legislative Council Rules, I beg to place the following statement of expenditure authorised by Government under section 28 (1) (c) of the Government of Cochin Act, 1113.

S. No.	Head of Account	Amount Rs.	Remarks
1	17 (2) Sub-jails Diet of Prisoners	3,800	On account of the increased rate of diet charges and the increase in the number of prisoners this additional allotment had to be sanctioned urgently.
2	24. Public Health A2-charges for Prevention of Epidemics	15,000	The allotment had to be sanctioned urgently being an emergent item which could not be postponed.

SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS

Rama Varmha Tmpuran *(Secretary to Government):* Sir, I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 150 under "17 (2) Jails—Miscellaneous". I request the House may be pleased to grant the same.

Demand put and carried

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* Sir, I rise to move for an allotment of Rs. 700 under "16-C Criminal Justice—Contingencies—Refunds". I request the House may be pleased to vote this amount.

Demand put and carried

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 43,790 under "28-A Civil Engineering—Communications—Maintenance". Consequent on the very heavy tender increase in the maintenance of roads, it has been found impossible to limit the expenditure within the budget allotment for 1118. I request the House may be pleased to grant the same.

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